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Mr. John Schacelfer
Amax Extractive Research and Development
5950 McIntyre Street
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RE: Resource Conservation and
Recovery Act Compliance Inspection
EPA I. D. #C00097144588

Dear Mr. Schacelfer:

This letter is a follow-up to the inspection performed at Amax Extractive Research and Development on October 13, 1982. We are enclosing a copy of the inspection report for your information. At this time we plan no further action as a result of this inspection.

The Agency has granted a temporary exemption for complying with Subtitle C of RCRA to those persons producing hazardous wastes indigenous to exploration, mining, milling, smelting, or refining of ores or minerals. However, it must be pointed out that the exemption does not extend to nonindigenous mining wastes, such as spent solvents, pesticide wastes, nor discarded commercial chemical products. Furthermore, it would be well to remember that should the Agency narrow the scope of, or eliminate, the exemption, facilities would have to be in compliance within six months.

If you should have any questions, please contact Mr. Mel Poundstone at (303) 837-2221.

Sincerely yours,

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Lawrence A. Wapensky, Chief
Hazardous Waste Facilities Section

Enclosure

cc: Ms. June Dreith
Colorado Department of Health

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